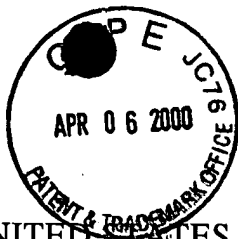


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Please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 11.

In claim 5, line 2, please delete "a" and insert --therefore--.

In claim 10, line 2, please delete "a" and insert --the--.

In claim 13, line 9, after "substance" please insert --,--.

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**REMARKS**

Claims 13 and 15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Peled et al., WO 94/24715. The Office Action recites while Peled et al. does not teach a weight percentage of ceramic under 9.09%, the invention as a whole would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made because the weight percentage of alumina has not been